

The Romulus News

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Timely Tidbits . . .

SHOCKTOBER!

The City of Romulus Beautification Committee is once again sponsoring a contest for homes decorated for the Halloween holiday. Judging will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25, through Friday, October 29. First prize is \$50; second prize is \$25. All entries should include the address of the home, the name of a contact person, and a phone number, and must be received by the Committee on or before 5 p.m. on Monday, October 24. Mail entries to the attention of Julie Wojtylko at: City of Romulus Beautification Committee, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174. Questions? Call 942-7537.

Open House

The Romulus Fire Department has invited the community to kick off Fire Prevention Week in Romulus by stopping by its Open House, set for Sunday, October 9, from 12 to 4 p.m. at Fire Station #4 (28777 Eureka Road). A special appearance by the "Fire Pup" is planned – bring the kids!

ZBA Update

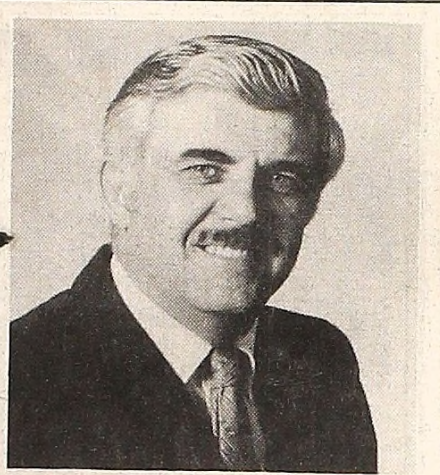
At its September 21, 1994 meeting, the Romulus Appointment Advisory Committee (AAC) voted to recommend the reappointment of Fred "Junior" Block and Norman McLenon to the City's Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), and to reappoint Mary Collins as an alternate. Although the specific language of the original Council resolution creating the AAC spoke only of the Committee nominating candidates for the Romulus Cable Commission, long-standing precedent (and, according to at least two current Councilmen, the resolution's actual intent) has established the AAC's prerogative to nominate candidates for all City boards and commissions.

The AAC will pass its recommendation along to City Council for its approval or disregard at the next meeting in which all seven Council members are in attendance.

Art Exhibit Postponed

An exhibit of 34th District Court Chief Judge Felix Rogalle's original paintings, which was planned for the month of October at the Fred C. Fischer Library in Belleville, has been postponed. Watch for updates on the show's status in future issues of "the little paper."

City Council Rejects EDS Settlement Proposal



Councilman William Wadsworth

By Kristi Stephens

Jeffrey Egan, an investor in the Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS) injection-well project, has released the full text of a proposed settlement agreement that EDS made to Mayor Beverly McAnally and the Romulus City Council on September 2, 1994. The proposal was rejected by a 4-3 vote of the Council following discussion in executive session.

Egan, who believes that the aforementioned officials are trying to keep citizens in the dark about the possibility of reaching a settlement with EDS in order to minimize community pressure to accept the proposal, objected to the private debate before the public vote. "EDS' offer to negotiate a settlement was refused by the Mayor and Council after discussion of the proposal in a closed-door meeting. We feel this issue is too

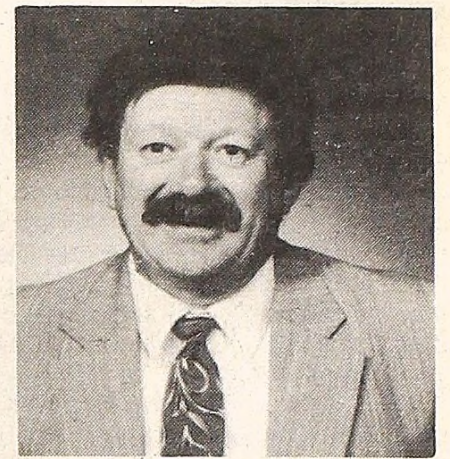
important to be handled in this way. Residents of the community should know what's going on, and we will do what we can to keep them informed."

In the proposal, EDS agreed to a number of conditions that it believes would alleviate City and citizen concerns, including:

- limitation to two injection wells (one primary, one auxiliary);
- 24 hours/day, 365 days/year monitoring and scrutiny of all operations for the life of the facility;
- protections against illegal dumping;
- limitations on truck volume, facility storage capacity, and operation hours;
- strict enforcement of the established truck route (I-275 to Eureka Road exit; east on Eureka; north on Wayne Road; west on Northline to Wahrman);
- acceptable amounts of insurance, with the City named as an additional insured;
- employment, at EDS' expense, of a geologist of the City's choice to recommend solutions to resident concerns; and
- full City access to all facility records.

EDS also promised that total financial benefits shall not be less than those originally offered to the City, with the actual amount to be negotiated. Officials from the company suggested that the City could use the substantial annual sum involved to reduce residents' property taxes.

But all of these conditions are secondary to one main issue, as far as Councilman William Wadsworth – one of



Councilman Michael Prybyla

the four (along with Councilmen Mary Ann Banks, Randolph Gear, and Michael Prybyla) who rejected the proposal – is concerned.

"The current EDS well site is not properly zoned for such an operation," said Wadsworth, who has voiced his opposition to the project from the beginning, "and if EDS had followed the established procedures that all new businesses are required to follow in coming to our city, they would have discovered that before they dug their well."

"As it is, the City has obtained a Circuit Court order requiring EDS to seek local approval, and we intend to see that the order is followed," he added.

Councilman Prybyla concurs with Wadsworth's reasoning: "EDS should have pursued its project through proper

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RHS Eagles To Face Milan at Homecoming 1994

By Kristi Stephens

Students and alumni of Romulus High School are gearing up for this fall's Homecoming Week, which will begin on Monday, October 10.

Preparations for the event are already underway, with student float meetings beginning this week and a vote to choose members of the Homecoming Court set for today.

Mark Anderson's leadership class at the High School will be overseeing the always fierce Spirit Jug competition among the freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior classes. One of the most popular of the week's contests will be the daily dress-up events, each of which will feature a different theme: Pajamas & Slippers (Monday), Hat & Shades (Tuesday), Be a Bum (Wednesday), Dress Up or Cross Dress (Thursday), and Maroon & White (Friday). Also promising to be fun will be the Penny Drive, a week-long lunchtime event in which freshmen,

sophomores, juniors, and seniors vie to see who can collect the most pennies in the container set aside for their particular class. The catch? Any silver found in the jugs will count *against* the penny total. (Ah, sabotage!) The benefit? Each class gets to keep the money in its container for its class treasury.

On Friday, October 14, the Homecoming game itself will be kicked off with the annual parade, which begins at 5 p.m. and will travel a route that begins on Gabriel, continues along Goddard to Neville to Ozga, and winds up at the Middle School football field. Featured in the parade will be the class floats – all of which will relate in some way to this year's "Song Titles" theme. Another highlight of the event will be the appearance – for the first time in the history of the parade – of a grand marshal. This year's GM duties will be performed by Romulus Alumni Association member Judy Rakotz, who was the Homecoming Queen for the

Romulus High School Class of 1962. (Forms are still available for nonpolitical parade entries. Contact Marge Bergman at the High School: 941-2170.)

The Romulus Alumni Association also plans to get involved in Homecoming Night by hosting a booth where visiting alumni can stop in for a special treat. The Association will be signing up new members that night, as well.

During the halftime intermission of the game between Romulus and Milan, results of both the Spirit Jug competition and the voting for Homecoming King and Queen will be announced. At that time, last year's royal couple of Maurice Hatcher and Lekeisha Holmes will pass their crowns on to their successors from the Class of 1995.

The week will close with the annual Homecoming Dance in the High School cafeteria on Saturday, October 15. Tickets (\$8) are available from Marge Bergman in the High School office. □

Letters to the Editor

Editor's note: All letters to the editor must contain the writer's signature and a telephone number where he/she can be reached in order to verify the letter's authenticity. Names will be withheld by request if, in our opinion, the letter's content merits anonymity.

The Romulus News reserves the right to edit all letters for clarity and, if necessary, brevity.

Mayor Chided for Poor Business Negotiations

Dear Editor:

I read an interesting article on the cover of the September 22, 1994 issue of the *Romulus Roman*. The article told of the days of mirth and merry to come now that the Vining Road interchange construction has begun. I, like so many of you, hope this is true.

This took entirely too long to happen. In fact, my enthusiasm is jaded by the poor-quality agreement – negotiated with the Ecclestone Organization by Mayor Beverly McAnally – that preceded this interchange project. I have hopes that there will be something there soon – but, after 10 years getting to this point, we may all be gone before anything is.

The City of Romulus has poured about \$10 million into improvements along Wick Road, most financed by bonds sold and paid by money captured through the ever-growing TIFA districts. It is those TIFA districts, or rather the Mayor's negotiation of them, that led to the School Board taking the City to court and ultimately obtaining a half-million-dollar settlement against the City.

The Ecclestone Organization, owner of the land adjacent to Wick Road where the Metro World Centre complex will hopefully be constructed soon, has calmly sat by while the Mayor has used our (the taxpayers') money to improve the Wick Road area. By far, the area has the best sewer and surface street in the entire city – and nothing is there yet.

Now, our mayor puts on her happy face and tells of the wonders that Metro World will bring, leaving out how much it has cost the taxpayers. Nothing of a tax abatement has yet been mentioned, but it surely will be later into the development. These are questions that need answers.

I applaud Mr. Ecclestone. He found a piece of virgin farmland near a major airport, bought it for a song, and negotiated with the local government, our mayor, to buy all the roads, sewers, power lines, and related infrastructure – and the City agreed. It's the kind of deal that developers dream about.

Mr. Ecclestone isn't the foe; quite the opposite. Mr. Ecclestone negotiated a wonderful agreement for his part and we should respect him for his talents. His job is to make the best possible deal to return the greatest profit to his investors. No matter what happens to the land from this point forward, Mr. Ecclestone has fared well. We need to attract powerful businessmen like him to the community

if we are to grow, but agreements must be made, and kept, that benefit both parties fully.

For our part, the Mayor completely missed the boat. Ten years is too long to wait for construction to be completed, let alone even started, when we, the citizens of Romulus, have \$10 million already invested. The Mayor negotiated very poorly, and it is with her, Mayor Beverly McAnally, that we the taxpayers must take issue.

The Mayor's job is to protect the interest of the City and see that the City is well represented in negotiations. Again, the Mayor let the other party get the best of her, and us, in a negotiation. I'm not saying that the City will never be better off as a result of the project; I'm sure it will be. I'm saying that it will take longer, and the benefit to the citizens will be much smaller, as a result of the Mayor's poor bargaining skills.

Communities and developers are forever intertwined. They need each other. Both can prosper from well-negotiated agreements, but poorly negotiated agreements are bad business. I'm sure that a tough negotiator wouldn't have scared Mr. Ecclestone off. Unfortunately, by negotiating poorly, Mayor McAnally has delayed any benefits to the City and paid entirely too much of our tax dollars for that which we have gotten.

So please, before you put laurels on the Mayor's head, understand that this matter was entirely mishandled, too costly to the taxpayers, and is still years from completion. This is not the way to do business! The Mayor has completely mismanaged this issue, among others.

And, Mr. Ecclestone, if you're reading this: Make sure that you have plenty of lawyers and a big legal budget. Mr. Wicklund at Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc., will tell you that the Mayor will enthusiastically support your project until five or six angry residents start attending Council meetings. Then, she'll spend the City into oblivion suing you and claiming that she was deceived.

Charles E. Griffiths, III
Romulus

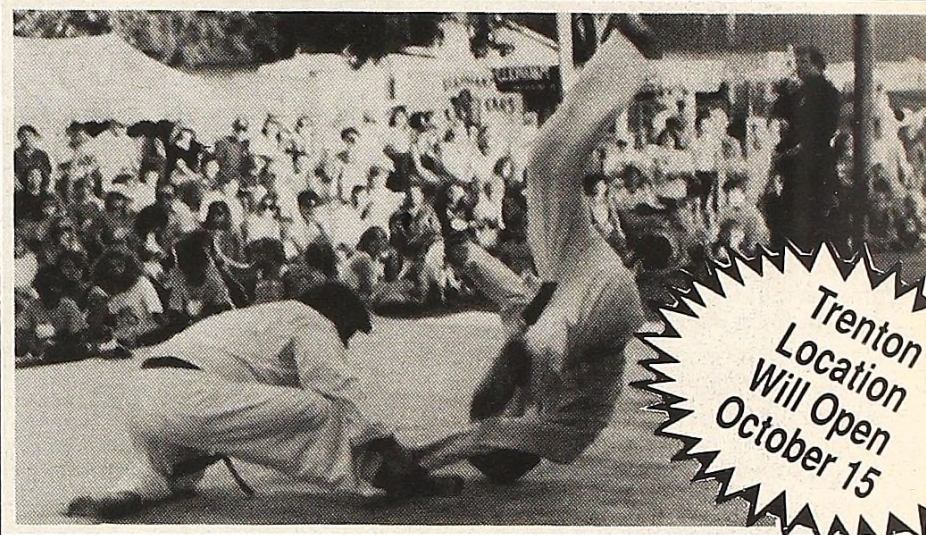
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Legislative Update

For the Week of September 26, 1994

By State Representative Greg Pitoniak House Cracks Down on Classroom Crime

Legislation recently approved by House lawmakers would permit schools to authorize permanent expulsion for any student found carrying a weapon on school grounds or at a school function, or any student who raped another student or committed arson on school grounds. Under the bill, an expelled public-school student would be prohibited from attending school for 90 days or 180 days for students in grade six or above. Parents of an expelled student would be permitted to petition the school for reinstatement after 150 days. The school could deny, approve, or set conditions for reinstatement. Amendments that would have provided alternative education for expelled students and required due-process proceedings were offered by House Democrats, but failed. The bill currently awaits the signature of Governor John Engler. (SB 966)

Motor Voter Legislation Clears Senate

Legislation introduced in the House that would implement part of the federal National Voter Registration Act, widely known as the "Motor Voter" bill, passed the Senate. The bill would require that a Statewide list of registered voters be kept, and election officials would have computer access to the list in order to obtain information on a voter's precinct. (HB 5531)

Guard Towers To Be Built at Ryan and Mound Prisons

Members of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees approved about \$2 million in transfers to build guard towers at Detroit's Ryan and Mound prisons, from which 10 inmates recently escaped. In a related move, Senate lawmakers approved legislation requiring either guard towers or electrical fences at State prisons housing the most dangerous felons. Under the bill, prisons with a Level III security rating or higher would have to have guard towers. Before guard towers would be built, Department of Corrections officials would have to meet with a community's prison liaison committee to discuss how the towers would be constructed and staffed. (SB 1219)

Bill Would Pull Plug of Government TV Channel

Legislation has been introduced in the House to require the Michigan Public Service Commission (PSC) to directly return any excess money paid by customers of utilities that it regulates. Specifically, the bill would mandate that the PSC could not spend rate-payer overcharges without the approval of the Michigan Legislature. The measure was prompted by the PSC's plans to spend more than \$10 million in telephone overcharges to fund long-distance learning programs, including MGTV, a government cable television channel. The bill



Representative Gregory Pitoniak

was introduced on the heels of a recent Attorney General ruling that the cable television channel requires Legislative approval. MGTV was created by the Governor and was scheduled to begin September 26. It was intended to air Gubernatorial press conferences, Legislative sessions, and committee meetings. The channel will not begin broadcasting without Legislative approval unless the Engler administration comes up with the funding. (HB 5865)

Pensions Would Be Forfeited Under House Bill

Public employees convicted of violating public trust could forfeit their pension until sentencing requirements are completed under a House-sponsored bill that was approved by the Senate. The bill would allow courts to order a public worker to forfeit his or her pension to pay for restitution, court costs, imprisonment costs, and other expenses associated with prosecuting the employee. (HB 4645) □

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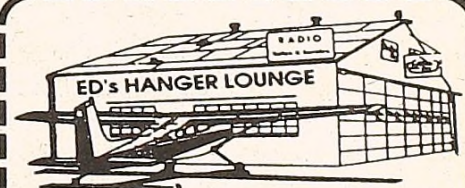
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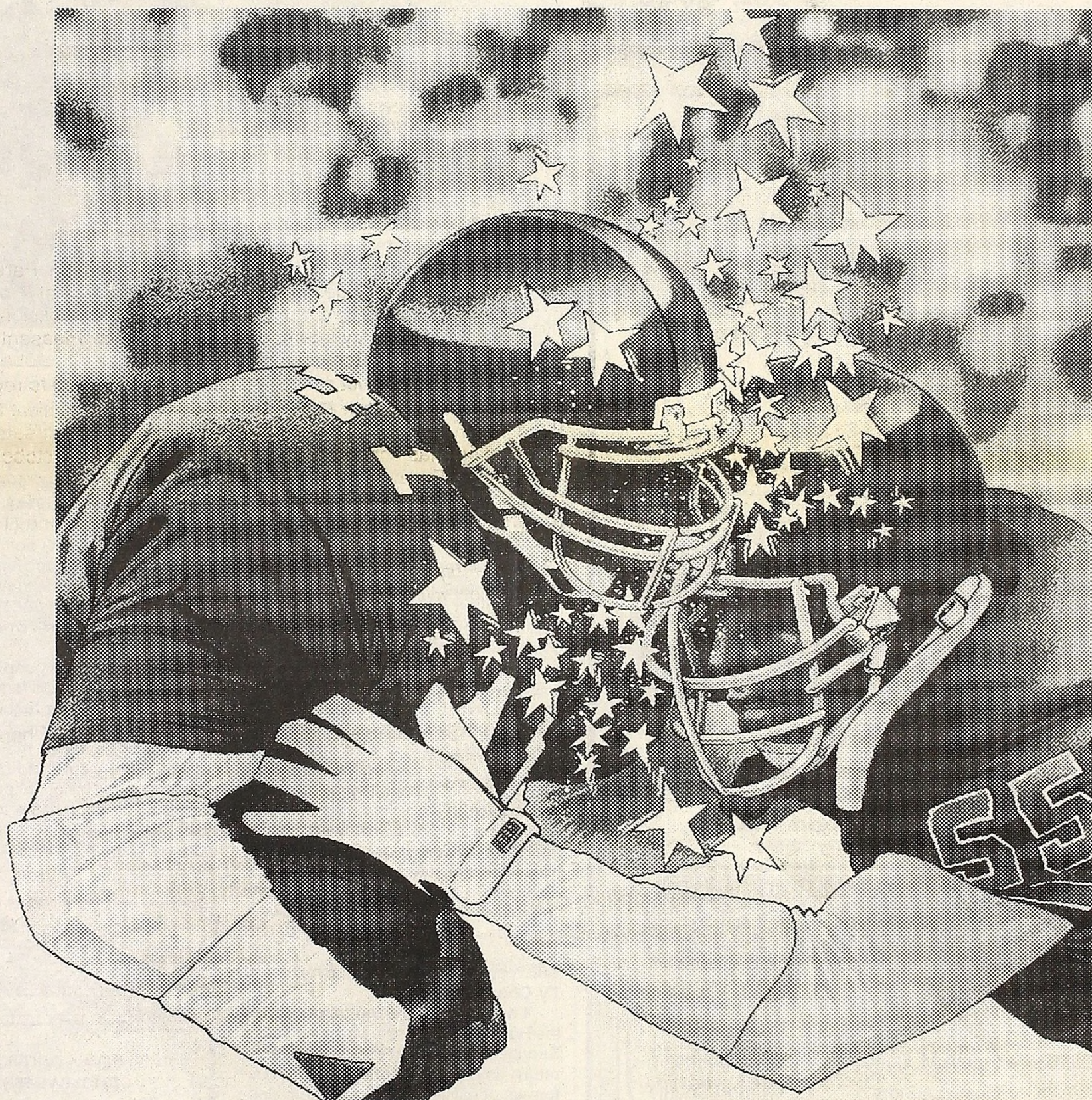
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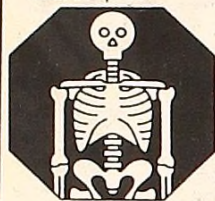


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Community Calendar

- **"Person of the Year" Nominees Sought** — The Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for its 15th Annual "Person of the Year" award. The only criterion for eligibility is that the nominee must have made a significant contribution to the community. Forms can be obtained by calling the Chamber office (326-4290); nominations must be received by December 1, 1994.
- **Senior-citizen Rummage/Bake Sales** — Two senior-citizen fundraisers are slated for the near future. Residents of the Whispering Willows senior-citizen apartment complex will hold their annual rummage and bake sale in the lobby of the building (11100 South Wayne Road, Romulus) from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, October 7, and Saturday, October 8. The following week — on Tuesday, October 11 — Club #1 will hold a similar sale at the Romulus Senior Center (36515 Bibbins) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Everyone welcome!
- **Herb Conference** — The In-Balance Center of Romulus will host its seventh annual Herb Conference at the Romulus Marriott Hotel on October 8, 1994, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets (available at the door) will be \$45 per person. For information, call 941-8778.
- **Preschool Storytime at the Library** — The Romulus Public Library will soon begin a five-week Preschool Storytime program — with an appropriately autumnal "all about colors" theme — for children ages three to five who are ready for independent listening. Parents may choose between Tuesday sessions, which begin at 7 p.m., and Thursday sessions, which begin at 10:30 a.m.; sessions will be held at the Library's temporary location (Mt. Pleasant School, 39000 Superior, Romulus) beginning the week of October 11. The program is free, but space is limited; call 941-7369 to register.
- **St. Paul's October Calendar** — St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (located at the corner of Craig and Ellis streets in New Boston) has scheduled the following events for October: a Fish Dinner (Friday, October 14, from 5 to 7 p.m.); a Rummage Sale (Friday, October 14, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, October 15, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.); and a Casserole Luncheon (Thursday, October 20, from 11:30 a.m. until sold out).
- **Historical Society Hosts Lecture** — The Romulus Historical Society will welcome Professor Schweitzer to lecture at the group's next business meeting at the Romulus Historical Museum (located on Hunt Street next to the Post Office) on Wednesday, October 19, at 7 p.m. A slide presentation will be featured in the program, the theme of which will be "American Historic Paint Colors and 19th Century Homes." The public is welcome; there is no admission.
- **Luncheon Honors Area's Pioneers** — A special luncheon honoring early settlers who came to Romulus for a "fresh start," as well as their descendants who continue to live in this area, will be held on Saturday, October 22, at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza of Romulus. Anyone wishing to attend the luncheon should send a check or money order for \$15 per person (payable to the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza) to Mrs. Eva Webb at 11049 Moore, Romulus, MI 48174. The organizing committee of Mrs. Dorothy Stillwagon, Mr. David Robinson, Mrs. Webb, and Dr. Z. Jones urges those planning to attend to reserve their seat as soon as possible.
- **Special Science Program** — The Romulus Public Library will offer a special science program for children in grades four through six on Saturday, October 29, from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. The free one-hour program, sponsored by the Wayne County Library and BASF Corporation, will feature hands-on science experiments, an information video, and possibly a head start on that yearly science project. Registration is limited. Call 941-7369 for more information.

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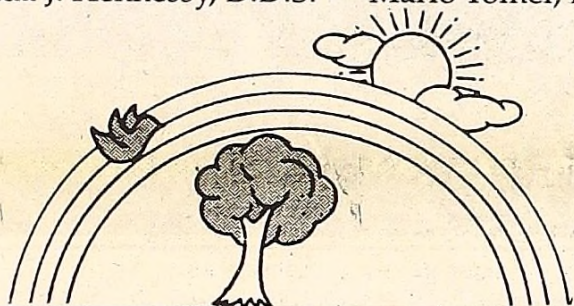
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RECAP Reader Debates Question of "Majority" . . .

Letter to the Editor:

Is it true that *The Romulus News* wants to keep the citizens of Romulus abreast of what is going on in the community, regardless of the newspaper's point of view?

I cannot believe the August 25 issue, headlined "Overwhelming Majority Wants City to Settle with EDS." Nothing is further from the truth.

Three weeks ago, RECAP (Romulus Environmentalists Care About People) members and concerned citizens went door to door, face to face, with petitions stating plain and simple: "We the undersigned citizens and property owners oppose the first commercial hazardous/nonhazardous injection well being located in our city of Romulus."

To date, we have successfully collected almost 5,000 signatures and plan on continuing our efforts. I would hardly call 300 random telephone calls the majority, considering that we have a population of over 22,000, give or take a few.

I find it disturbing that *The Romulus News* has turned its back on its citizens, who were raped and suffered the violation of their civil and property rights by a disposal company (Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc.) and Federal (Environmental Protection Agency) and State (Michigan Department of Natural Resources) agencies. RECAP vows to stop the environmental injustice that has occurred, no matter what it takes.

The majority of the citizens of Romulus has spoken. "We do oppose the first commercial hazardous/non-hazardous injection well being located in our city of Romulus."

In your September 9 issue – in "An Urgent Plea: Please Settle Now!" – you state, "Try to find a solution that the vast majority of us can LIVE with NOW." Five thousand citizens do oppose the injection well! PLUG and ABANDON your well, EDS!

Debbie Romak
RECAP spokesperson
Romulus

. . . And TRN's Editors Respond to Question

Dear Ms. Romak:

Just a few thoughts about your letter to the editor . . .

First of all, we'd like to point out that your comparison of the language on RECAP's petitions and our August 25 headline – which, by the way, you quoted incompletely, thereby manipulating a more neutral front-page headline into something that would have been appropriate on the editorial page; actually, the full headline read "Independent Survey Shows Overwhelming Majority Wants City To Settle with EDS" – is like comparing apples and oranges. Opposition to the well's location in our community does not preclude a desire to see the City negotiate an agreement with EDS. In fact, many people have told us that they

fall into *both* categories: They aren't really happy about the well being located in Romulus, but they believe that the time to have put up a fair fight was during the three years *before* EDS spent more than a million dollars to dig their well, and they want the City to settle the matter so that their tax dollars aren't foolishly wasted in endless litigation.

Using the same "apples and oranges" logic, we object to your comparison of figures obtained through totally different means of sampling residents' opinions. The fact that the population of Romulus is much greater than 300 is irrelevant; all that matters is that the people sampled are representative of the population in question, and that there are enough samples for statistical reliability. Besides, the very fact that your 5,000 signatures were obtained, as you say, "face to face," detracts from their credibility. Professionals knowledgeable about factors which can (deliberately or innocently) distort a survey agree that people are more likely to express their true opinion when they can remain anonymous. Being confronted face-to-face can lead to "little white lies" for a variety of reasons, including (but not limited to) a desire to be rid of an inconvenient or unwelcome visitor, an unwillingness to disagree with or disappoint an acquaintance or friend, or even a fear of intimidation.

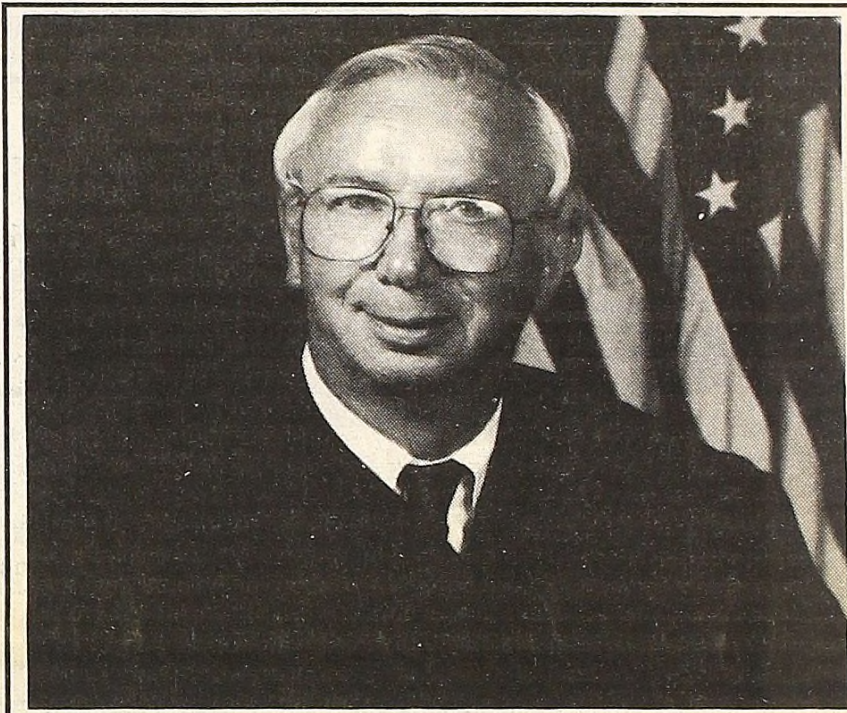
And, since we have a copy of the questions asked by the Moore & Associates survey-takers, we can evaluate the relative neutrality of their questions and whether or not they attempted to convey any misinformation during their questioning. What proof do we have that the people conducting your survey attempted to be objective, or that they were well enough acquainted with the project's background to communicate only factual information? Again and again, we at "the little paper" have exposed inaccuracies and untruths being disseminated by well opponents.

And, finally, RECAP's petition language is irrelevant when it comes to the City's fight against EDS, anyway. The question here is not whether or not EDS can operate a well in Romulus, but whether it can operate the well it has already constructed at its current site. That may seem like a molehill-sized distinction to you, whose only desire is to be rid of the well – but, in reality, it's a mountainous difference.

The Romulus News has not turned its back on its readers and fellow residents. We truly believe that a settlement agreement between the City and EDS is what is best for the community overall – and our belief that our opinion is shared by the majority of Romulus residents is as firm as your belief to the contrary.

Again, we invite our readers to share their point of view on any subject of interest to the community through our "Letters to the Editor" or "Local Commentary" columns. Because we believe that the give-and-take of dialogue leads to the best solutions to problems, we are always willing to give our readers an opportunity to speak out. □

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Report Predicts Financial Consequences of Failure To Negotiate Settlement

By Kristi Stephens

"Romulus is a fiscally troubled municipality," concludes a just-released report, entitled "Financial Impact of Deep Well Lawsuit on the City of Romulus: Future Effects of Settlement vs. Continued Litigation," which was authored by University of Michigan-Dearborn Professor Seth Hirshorn, Ph.D. — who, besides serving as Director of the Public Administration Program at the University and writing numerous governmental studies in the areas of financial planning, assessment, and management, is also a former Ann Arbor City Councilman. The in-depth study, commissioned by Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS), finds that continuing litigation against EDS, as opposed to accepting a settlement proposal which includes substantial royalty payments, represents a "lose-lose situation" for Romulus taxpayers.

In support of this conclusion, the report identifies several factors of the City's financial condition which Hirshorn believes to be indicators of a "service-cost-squeeze" — that is, taxpayers receiving the same or less service at a rising per capita expense. While this trend has been developing over most of the last decade, according to the professor, it is being compounded by the current litigation against EDS which has cost taxpayers over \$300,000 in the last year. "Beginning with FY (fiscal year) 1988 the City has operated at a deficit in six of the last eight years including having an operating deficit projected in FY 1995," the report notes.

Over this period, Hirshorn believes, two key indicators of Romulus' financial health have deteriorated significantly. "From 1983 to 1993 **Net Bonded Debt Per Capita** increased from \$85 per resident to \$347 per resident while the ratio of **Bonded Debt to Assessed Value** increased from .52 to 1.35," he states. (Boldface type used by author.) Further, Hirshorn cites the fact that the City's undesignated fund balance — which he says may be thought of as "an emergency reserve for a community needed to meet unplanned expenses" — has declined from over \$3 million in 1987 to a projected \$40,000 by 1995. Since, in its current budget for the 94/95 fiscal year,

the City has not budgeted any money for continuing the deep-well lawsuit, appropriating money from within the current budget would only worsen the "service-cost-squeeze" trend noted by Hirshorn.

In his report, Hirshorn goes on to describe the cost of continuing the current lawsuit together with the additional lawsuits which would likely result if no settlement is reached in the near future. The legal costs and potential damages arising from these suits — in the worst case, about \$7 million in litigation costs and recoveries, estimates Hirshorn — is many times greater than what has already been spent. "In aggregate, the legal costs to the City may exceed the ability of the City to pay without additional revenue generating authority and/or a substantial shift in resources," he says. This is a situation which could lead to bankruptcy and the appointment of a "receiver" to manage the City's finances.

Contrasted with this "lose/lose" scenario is the positive financial impact represented by a negotiated settlement between the City and EDS. According to the report, the impact would be twofold: The legal fees saved from resolving the litigation would prevent the further decline in municipal services; and, in the best case, the royalty which EDS has offered could be used to provide homeowners with a residential property-tax cut or to fund other programs of benefit to the citizens. □

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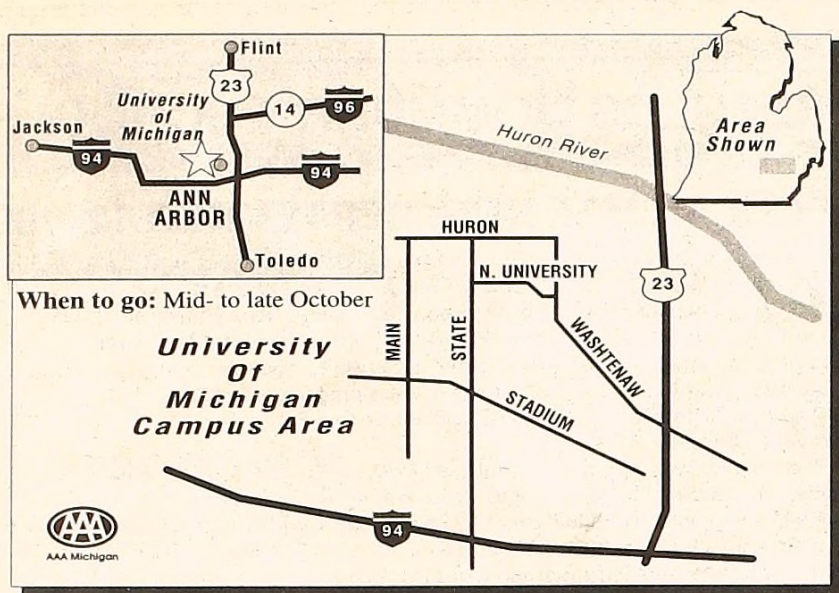
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COUNCIL REJECTS EDS PROPOSAL

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local channels in the first place. Now Judge Morcom has ordered them to do so. Their attempt to circumvent this process with a settlement proposal was not acceptable."

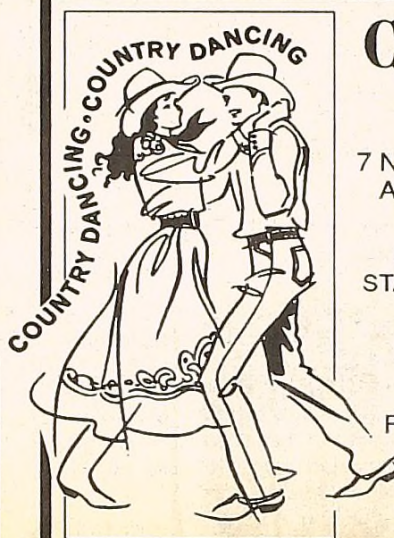
But Egan warns that refusal to work with EDS to reach an agreement could result in a protracted and expensive legal battle that, he believes, will be severely damaging for the City and its residents. He proposes that such a situation be avoided at all costs.

"We feel that the citizens of Romulus are entitled to know that there is a real and effective solution to this dispute," said Egan. "EDS believes that the residents of Romulus will see that this settle-

ment offer clearly details how the Deep Well facility will be planned, constructed and operated in a way that will fully protect their health and safety."

Currently, EDS has agreed to present its case before the City of Romulus Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), which is the final local authority on such matters. If, following the ZBA hearing (which will begin Wednesday, October 26), either party is dissatisfied with the board's ruling, their only recourse would be to pursue the matter in court.

(Editor's note: For a related story on the possible financial impact of further litigation, please see "Report Predicts Financial Consequences of Failure to Negotiate Settlement" on page 7.) □



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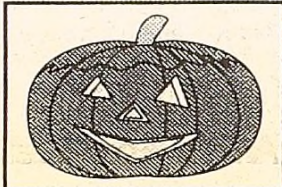
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7-8	16th Annual Pumpkin Festival, Bessemer, (906) 663-4542	14-16	Auto Show, Northwood Institute, Midland, (517) 837-4323
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7-9	Apple Festival, Charlevoix, (616) 547-2101	15-16	Apple Butter Festival, Arboretum & Nature Center, Lansing, (517) 483-4224
7-9	Frankenmuth Oktoberfest, Frankenmuth, (517) 652-6106	21-22	Oktoberfest '94, East Tawas/ Tawas City, (800) 55-TAWAS
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It amazes us that it has already been a year since we were blessed with you. Time has gone by so rapidly; you've grown and changed so much from the tiny babies you once were. Every moment has been precious — you've made us laugh and cry, you've made us see life through your wondrous little eyes. We can never express in words how very much we love you both and how very happy you have made us. We promise that we will always support you, love you, and be there for you. We are blessed and thank God that we have you. One baby is beautiful, but having twins is truly a miracle!

All our love always, Mommy & Daddy

Local Punt, Pass & Kick Winners

Four Romulus boys will compete with youths from 13 other communities in the Region 8 sectional qualifying round of the Gatorade Punt, Pass & Kick competition, scheduled for Saturday, October 15, at Munson Park in Monroe. The four earned the right to represent their hometown by placing first in their age division at a local qualifying round conducted by the Romulus Recreation De-

partment on Saturday, September 24. The local contest winners were (note: figures in parentheses represent each participant's final score – a total of the distance that he punted, passed, and kicked a football in the competition): William Jones, age eight (44'10"); Jeremy Williams, age nine (81'9"); Joshua Williams, age 11 (201'5"); and Howard Jones, age 13 (119'10"). □

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SPECIAL MEETING, AUGUST 29, 1994

The Special Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, August 29, 1994 was called to order by President Sandra F. Langley at 7:02 P.M.

Roll call showed all Board of Education members present. All Administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Sandra F. Langley.

Approval of Agenda:

8/94/20 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Hoffman to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:

8/94/21 Moved by Patterson supported by Kesner to approve the minutes of August 8, 11, 22, and 23, 1994 as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Report of the Superintendent:

Bills for Payment

8/94/22 Moved by Patterson supported by Hoffman to approve the Bills for Payment as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Major Vendor Report

A representative of Ameritech, Computer Connection and Josten Learning Corporation met with the Board of Education to answer questions and recommend future needs for educational technology in the school district. Each vendor reviewed their responsibilities for the project and answered specific concerns addressed by Board Members.

Mr. Howard J. Kesner, Trustee, was excused from the meeting at 9:00 P.M.

Adjournment:

8/94/23 Moved by Patterson supported by Hoffman that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

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REGULAR MEETING, SEPTEMBER 12, 1994

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, September 12, 1994 was called to order by President Sandra F. Langley at 6:32 P.M.

Roll call showed Mr. Pat Patterson absent (excused) and Mr. Kenneth E. Berlinn absent (excused). Administrators Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, Dr. Terrel M. LeCesne, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, and Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Sandra F. Langley.

Approval of Agenda:

The Agenda was amended as follows: Post Notice of P.A. 25 and Human Sexuality Hearings for September 26, 1994 and October 1, 1994 respectively.

9/94/4 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Gondek to approve the Agenda as amended. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public:

There were none.

Report of the Superintendent:

Personnel Actions

9/94/5 Moved by Hoffman supported by Kesner to approve the Personnel Actions as presented by Dr. Terrel M. LeCesne, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

9/94/6 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Hoffman to approve the Bills for Payment as presented by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bible Club Request

9/94/7 Moved by Gondek supported by Hoffman to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and allow after-school use for one hour a week for Bible Clubs as per Thelma Jackson's letter dated August 8, 1994. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Pregnant Person Agreement

9/94/8 Moved by Kesner supported by Oleszkowicz to authorize the Superintendent to sign the Agreement with the Garden City Schools for services for pregnant students. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, offered the following Items of Interest: 1) President Clinton—Andrea Brown; 2) Dolan Letter to 12th Graders/Section 21B; 3) McPharlin—Cost of Tech Repairs; 4) Praise—Hurst and Clark; 5) Central Michigan—Dolan, et. al., Presenters, and 6) McPharlin—Apple Warranty.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mrs. Sandra F. Langley stated that the light at the corner of Wayne and Eureka Road has been removed.

Adjournment:

9/94/9 Moved by Gondek supported by Oleszkowicz that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at 6:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard J. Kesner, Acting Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

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SPECIAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 6, 1994

The Special Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Tuesday, September 6, 1994 was called to order by President Sandra F. Langley at 6:07 P.M.

Roll call showed Mr. Pat Patterson absent (excused) and Mrs. Judith A. Gondek absent (excused). Mrs. Gondek entered the meeting at 6:20 P.M. Administrators Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, and Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Sandra F. Langley.

Approval of Agenda:

The Agenda was amended as follows: Delete Item V. C. Possible Action under "Report of the Superintendent".

9/94/1 Moved by Patterson supported by Oleszkowicz to approve the Agenda as amended. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Report of the Superintendent:

Move to Executive Session

9/94/2 Moved by Patterson supported by Hoffman to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation #93-321748AW with Attorneys Heckemeyer and Howell. Roll call vote showed Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 6:10 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 7:57 P.M.

The Board of Education requested that the Regular Meeting scheduled for Monday, September 12, 1994 at 7:30 P.M. be changed to 6:30 P.M. and to schedule a Special Meeting for Tuesday, September 13, 1994 at 6:30 P.M.

Adjournment:

9/94/3 Moved by Gondek supported by Hoffman that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

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SPECIAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 13, 1994

The Special Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Tuesday, September 13, 1994 was called to order by President Sandra F. Langley at 6:30 P.M.

Roll call showed Mr. Pat Patterson absent (excused) and Mr. Kenneth E. Berlinn absent (excused). Administrators Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, and Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Sandra F. Langley.

Approval of Agenda:

9/94/10 Moved by Gondek supported by Oleszkowicz to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Report of the Superintendent:

Move to Executive Session

9/94/11 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Hoffman to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation #93-321748AW with Attorneys Heckemeyer and Howell. Roll call vote showed Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 6:35 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 7:08 P.M.

9/94/12 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Gondek to accept the Settlement Agreement #93-321748AW as outlined by our attorneys. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Abstain: 1 (Hoffman). Motion carried.

Adjournment:

9/94/13 Moved by Gondek supported by Oleszkowicz that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard J. Kesner, Acting Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

Recreation News

Many thanks to Brian Hitsky, director of the Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, and Gayle Mach, Department staff member, for contributing information to this issue's "Recreation News" column. For more information about these or other Recreation programs, please call 942-6852.

Daddy/Daughter Sweetheart Ball

The Recreation Department's annual dance is a great way for Dad (or Grandpa, Uncle, or Big Brother) to spend some quality time with the special little girl(s) in his life. This year's Sweetheart Ball is set for Wednesday, October 19, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Romulus Middle School. The \$7-per-couple (\$2 for each additional daughter) cost of the event includes a flower for each daughter, one picture, music, and refreshments. Tickets must be purchased in advance no later than 5 p.m. Monday, October 17.

Super Saturday Specials

Parents are encouraged to join their children on any or all of the following Super Saturday trips: Ice Skating (October 15; \$5), "The Unhappy Witch" Theater Trip (October 22; \$6), Halloween Fest/Hayride, (October 29; \$3), College Football at Ypsilanti (November 5; \$4), Indoor Swimming (November 12; \$5), and Festival of Lights (November 19; \$1).

The following are some trip "tips."

- All trips depart from and return to the Recreation Center (36515 Bibbins).
- Most trips are for children ages seven to 15 (and their parents or guardians, if interested).
- Although the sign-up deadline for each trip is the Thursday before the trip, seats are limited; early sign-up is recommended to avoid being shut out.
- An advance, cash payment is due before each trip, and permission slips are always required.
- Food is not generally available on trips, so participants should try to eat beforehand.

Beginning Keyboard

Children ages six to 12 can still sign up to learn basic keyboard skills in a six-week music class which began this week. Classes are taught at the Recreation Building on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; additional time slots may be added. The cost for the program is \$30.

Junior Jazzercise

A specialized dance fitness program for boys and girls in grades three through six will be held at Merriman Elementary School on Mondays from 2:45 to 3:45 p.m. beginning October 10. Cost of the eight-week program is just \$25. For registration information, call 942-6852.

Youth Dance Program

Late registrations are still being accepted for the Downriver Conservatory of Dance Arts (DCDA) youth dance programs, which began this week. Classes are held Tuesdays at Halecreek Elementary School according to the following schedule: Jazz, ages five and six (5 to 5:30 p.m.); Tap, ages five and six (5:30 to 6 p.m.); Jazz, ages seven to nine (6 to

6:45 p.m.); and Tap, ages seven to nine (6:45 to 7:30 p.m.). A one-time registration fee of \$2 must be paid at the Recreation Building. Class fees (cash only—\$3 per 30-minute class; \$3.50 per 45-minute class) may be paid to the DCDA in advance or on the day of the class; students without fees will be refused admission.

Gymnastics

There's still time to sign up for the first of three Tumblebunnies gymnastic sessions, which begins this week. Both boys and girls are welcome to participate in the program, which uses gymnastic rhythms, basic gymnastic apparatus, and creative movements to develop each child's coordination, visual perception, posture, flexibility, and basic tumbling skills. Classes (\$30 per eight-week session) are held each Thursday at Wick Elementary School according to the following schedule: Mom and Tot, ages 18 months to 30 months (5:15 to 6 p.m.); Preschool, ages three and four (6 to 6:45 p.m.); Early Elementary, ages five through seven (6:45 to 7:30 p.m.); and Upper Elementary and Juniors, ages eight and up (7:30 to 8:15 p.m.).

Karate

Late registrations are still being accepted for karate classes, which began this week. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Barth Elementary School; students may attend either one or both sessions each week. Cost for the classes, which will focus on self-defense and everyday self-protection, is \$10 per student per 10-week session. Classes will continue every 10 weeks if interest permits.

Volleyball Programs

If competition is what you seek, sign up for the adult six-on-six co-ed volleyball league, which will feature intermediate-level play on Monday evenings beginning November 14. Entry fee is \$100 per team plus \$7 per team per match for official fees. The deadline for registration is Friday, October 28.

For those age 16 and older who just like to play, a soon-to-begin drop-in volleyball program is just right for you. Games will be held at Romulus Middle School on Tuesdays from 6 to 8 p.m.; cost is just \$2 per player per evening. Check with Recreation staff for the program's start date.

Ceramics

No advance registration is required to attend ceramics classes held at the Recreation Center each Monday from 6 to 8:45 p.m. Men and women ages 16 and up, regardless of skill level, are invited to join. Fees are \$1.50 per evening for Romulus residents; \$2 per evening for nonresidents. There is also a firing fee, which is one-half the purchase price of the raw stock.

Quilting

Quilters of beginning to advanced skill levels are invited to attend classes at the Recreation Center each Thursday from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Cost is \$1 per evening. No advance registration is required. □

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The Romulus Youth Assistance Program

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Karen Paciero, Youth Assistance Coordinator

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***WE THINK YOU SHOULD KNOW
WHAT THE CHOICES REALLY ARE***

SETTLEMENT

ENDS THE WASTE of taxpayer dollars on lawyers. *(In less than a year the City has spent almost \$300,000 on lawyers fighting EDS for only one lawsuit.)*

IMPROVES CITY SERVICES with money that would have gone to pay lawyers.

EARNs ROYALTY FEES from EDS which could be used to lower residential property taxes.

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RESIDENTS BENEFIT FROM EDS' OFFER TO PAY for experts to address citizens' concerns.

A SETTLEMENT REPRESENTS a VICTORY for the RESIDENTS of ROMULUS and an END to a NEEDLESS WASTE of TAXPAYER DOLLARS.

NO SETTLEMENT

CONTINUES TO WASTE taxpayer dollars on lawyers even after voters indicated in June that they don't want tax dollars spent this way. *(Currently Romulus taxpayers are paying an average of \$32,000 a month to pay lawyers for only one lawsuit.)*

CITY SERVICES GO DOWNHILL as the City has to pay even more money to lawyers to fight the additional lawsuits that will be filed by EDS. *(Legal fees alone could cost upward of \$2,000,000 - two million dollars!)*

LOSES ROYALTY FEES and RISKS LOSING LAWSUITS that could cost taxpayers anywhere from four million dollars to one hundred million dollars! City services are either cut to the bone or the City raises property taxes to pay the lawyers.

RISKS NO CONTROL OF THE WELL if the City loses the lawsuits. If EDS wins, the City has no leverage for negotiations.

RESIDENTS CONTINUE TO BE LEFT "IN THE DARK" and subjected to misinformation.

NO SETTLEMENT is a LOSS TO THE TAXPAYERS and GAMBLES with BANKRUPTCY for the CITY OF ROMULUS.

IF YOU THINK THE CHOICE IS CLEAR, PLEASE LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD. CALL YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBER at 942-7545 and the MAYOR at 942-7571.

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The Romulus News Church Directory
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Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower; Marilyn Hoffer, Senior Citizens Coordinator for the City of Romulus; and Barbara Schultz, Romulus Senior Center staff member, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column.

Call 942-6852 for more information about Senior Center events.

Happy Birthday!

Best wishes for a wonderful birthday to those of my Romulus Tower neighbors born in October: Alma Fountain, Margaret Haliburda, Eva Harrison, Bette Jones, Mildred Matthews, Marion Schreiber, June Tracy, Gladene Usher, and Gerry Westbay.

Rummage/Bake Sales

Closing out the rummage sale "season" are two fund-raiser events sponsored by local senior-citizen groups.

The first, a rummage/bake sale put on annually by the residents of the Whispering Willows apartment complex, will be held in the lobby of the building (11100 South Wayne Road, Romulus) from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, October 7, and Saturday, October 8. Shoppers will find a large variety of items for sale — almost everything, in fact, except baby clothes!

The following week, Club #1 will hold a rummage/bake sale at the Romulus Senior Center (36515 Bibbins). The event is scheduled for Tuesday, October 11, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

FOCUS: HOPE for Seniors

Senior citizens age 60 and over can apply for FOCUS: HOPE benefits at the Romulus distribution site (Family & Neighborhood Services) if their income does not exceed \$797 per month (one person)/\$1,066 per month (two persons). For more information, or to apply, please call Pam St. Clair at 782-9800.

Attention: Walkers!

Beginning this week, the Romulus Senior Center is again transporting interested senior citizens to Wayne County Community College's Haggerty Road campus for an indoor, move-at-your-own pace walk program. Transportation for participants in the free Wednesday-morning sessions will depart from the Center at 9 a.m. and return at 10:30 a.m.

Potluck

"Octoberfest" is the theme of the Tuesday, October 18 potluck dinner at the Romulus Senior Center, where roast pork will be the featured dish prepared by the Center's super chefs! Dinner is at 4:30 p.m. — be sure to bring a dish and bring a friend.

Shopping!

A transportation fee of just \$1.50 is all it takes to ride the Romulus Senior Center van to Southland Shopping Center on Friday, October 14. Seating is limited; sign up at the Center if you're interested.

Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other scheduled trips planned by the Romulus Senior Center may contact Marilyn Hoffer: 942-6852.

- **Radio City Music Hall** — Take a day trip to Toledo, Ohio, to enjoy a spectacular stage show featuring the Rockettes and Susan Anton on November 22. The \$64 cost of the trip includes round-trip motorcoach transportation, lunch, and a show ticket.

- **Nashville** — Get into the spirit of a country holiday season when you enjoy this four-day/three-night trip to Nashville, Tennessee. The \$329 cost (based on double-occupancy rates) of the trip includes a tour of the Christmas lights display at the Opryland Themepark, a ticket to a Grand Ole Opry show, a visit to Ryman Auditorium, a ticket to a mystery show, a tour of the City, three dinners, three continental breakfasts, and three nights' deluxe lodging at an area hotel.

Personal Transportation Service

The Romulus Senior Center has developed a personalized transportation program for senior citizens who have no other vehicle available to them. For a fee of \$1, seniors can arrange to be transported anywhere within the City limits in order to conduct personal affairs such as doctors appointments, banking, or shopping, and then be returned to their home. In addition, the program will encourage seniors to stop off at the Senior Center to participate in the Wayne County Nutritional Services Hot Lunch program.

The transportation service is available on Thursdays between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. only, so Senior Center staff member Barbara Schultz advises seniors who wish to take advantage of the program to call and reserve their desired time slot as far in advance as possible. For more information, call Barbara (942-6852).

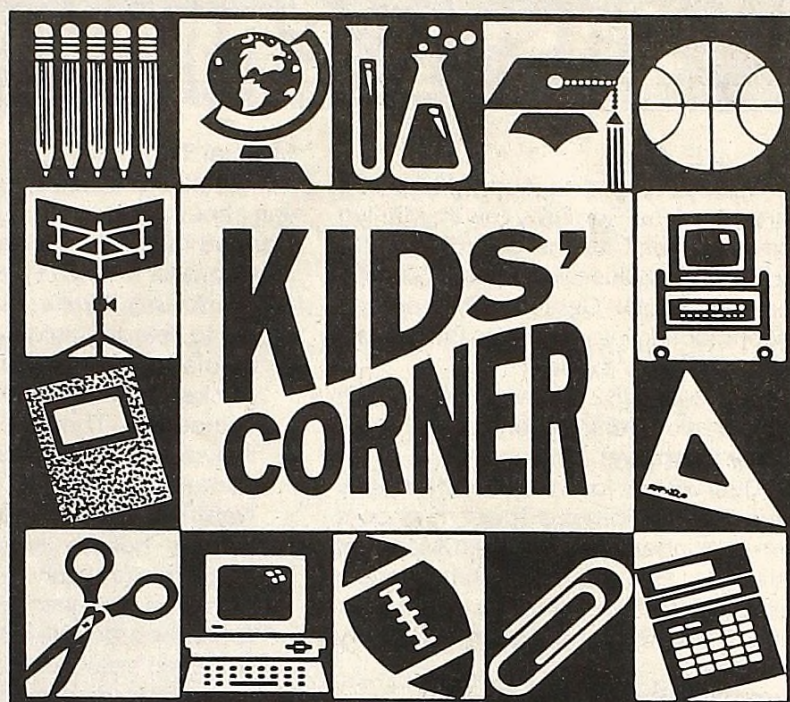
Senior Center Still Seeking Coupons from Bill Knapp's Restaurants

In an effort to acquire audio-visual equipment to be used for educational and recreational purposes, the Romulus Senior Center is collecting Community Support Points from Bill Knapp's restaurants. Don't forget to ask for yours the next time you dine at one of the fine Bill Knapp's restaurants. Ask your friends and family to collect them, too!

Weekly Programs at the Center

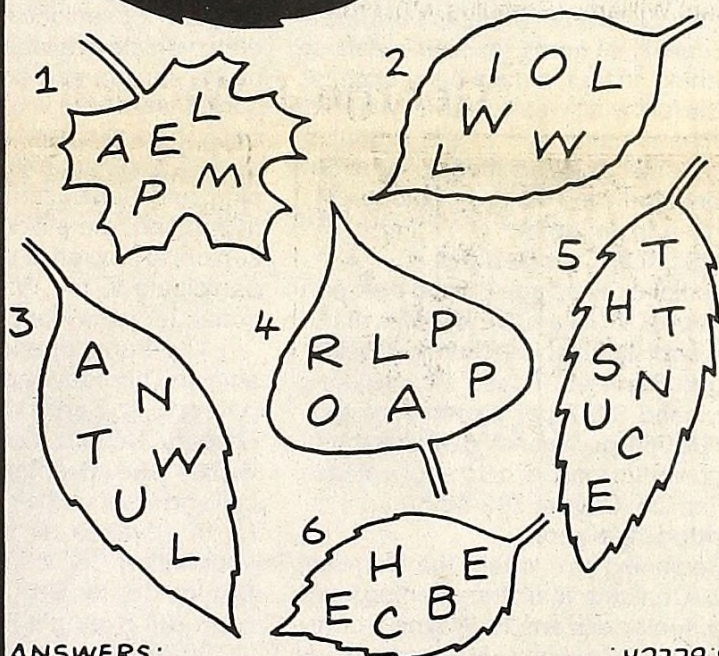
The Romulus Senior Center has resumed its full schedule of weekly programs for senior citizens' enjoyment. Come in for ceramics (Mondays at 1 and 6 p.m.); Club #1 meetings (Tuesdays at 11 a.m.); pinochle (Tuesdays at 1 p.m.); BINGO! (Wednesdays at 1 p.m.); knitting, crocheting, and canvas needlepoint (Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.); euchre (Thursdays at 1 p.m.); and quilting (Thursdays at 7 p.m.). □

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AUTUMN LEAVES

UNSCRAMBLE THE SIX WORDS TO FIND WHICH TREES THE LEAVES CAME FROM.



ANSWERS: 1. MAPLE 2. WILLOW 3. WALNUT 4. POPLAR 5. CHESTNUT 6. BEECH

Where do they hibernate?

Listed below are several animals. Can you guess what they will be doing once the cold weather sets in?

Draw a line from the animal to where or how you think they'll be spending the winter.

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|-----------------|--|
| 1. Rabbits | A. Go hunting in the coldest weather |
| 2. Winter birds | B. Curl in snug burrows |
| 3. Weasel | C. Under log and leaf blankets |
| 4. Woodchuck | D. Trees, soil or silken cocoons |
| 5. Snakes | E. They are always around |
| 6. Turtles | F. Buried in mud beneath frozen streams |
| 7. Insects | G. Enduring the cold by eating more than usual |

Answers
1.E 2.G 3.A 4.B 5.C 6.F 7.D

Bugged out

Most insects cannot function in cold weather, so as winter nears, they search for shelter. Below are some interesting ways they spend the winter.

• *Motherly love:* Female crickets have a needle-like organ protruding from their stomachs called the ovipositor. The ovipositor is used to drill holes in the ground and deposit tiny eggs. Three hundred or more will fit in each hole. When the female cricket is finished filling and covering the holes, she dies.

• *Winter storage:* Harvester ants carry grass seeds in their mouths and bring them to their underground storehouses. By the time the snow flies, they have enough food to feed the entire ant colony until spring.

• *Western ways:* Some Californians gather ladybugs in winter, store them in their refrigerators until spring, then sell them to farmers for a profit.

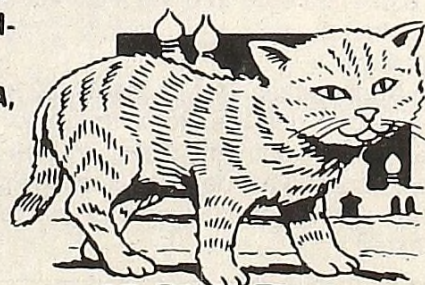
Animal ages

Some animals live a very long time, and others very short. The list below gives examples of the lifespans of certain creatures.

Animal	Years	Animal	Years
Galapagos tortoise	150	Leopard	12
Condor	52	Goat	8
Hippopotamus	25	Opossum	1
Gorilla	20	Fruit fly	2 weeks

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Romulus, Michigan 48174-0038

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Siblings _____

Maternal Grandparents _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Paternal Grandparents _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Name and phone number of person to contact (in case of questions):

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ENGAGEMENT/WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT FORM

If you, or your parents, are residents of Romulus, *The Romulus News* will be happy to print an announcement of your engagement or wedding. If possible, please enclose a photograph. There is no charge. Just fill out the following information and mail to:

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City _____ State _____
Groom's Parents _____
City _____ State _____
Bridesmaids _____
Groomsmen _____
Date of Engagement _____
Date of Wedding _____
Place _____
City _____ State _____
Reception _____
City _____ State _____
Name and phone number of person to contact (in case of questions):

Attach any additional information concerning the wedding or engagement to this form.

Obituaries

Gladys Wilson Scroggin

Gladys Wilson Scroggin of Romulus, Michigan, died on Sunday, October 2, 1994. She was 83 years old.

Gladys was born in Nashville, Tennessee on February 3, 1911. She married Vernon H. Scroggin on October 20, 1928, in Covington, Kentucky, and worked as a homemaker.

Gladys is survived by her husband, Vernon; son James T. Scroggin (Mechanicsburg, PA); daughters Mrs. David (Donna) Gonzales (Phelan, CA), Mrs. Earl (Eileen) McTaggart (Saline, MI), and

Mrs. Dennis (Jeanne) McCollough (Belleville, MI); sister Mrs. Margarita Lacey (Champaign, IL); 13 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, October 5, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with Reverend Jack T. Story (Grace Baptist Church, Belleville, MI) officiating.

Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock).

Memorial tributes may be made to Grace Baptist Church.

Melvin W. Wands

Melvin W. Wands of Westland, Michigan, died on Thursday, September 22, 1994, at the age of 77.

The truck driver was born on June 7, 1917, in Detroit, Michigan. He and wife Gladys B. Saxton were married in Detroit on June 5, 1948.

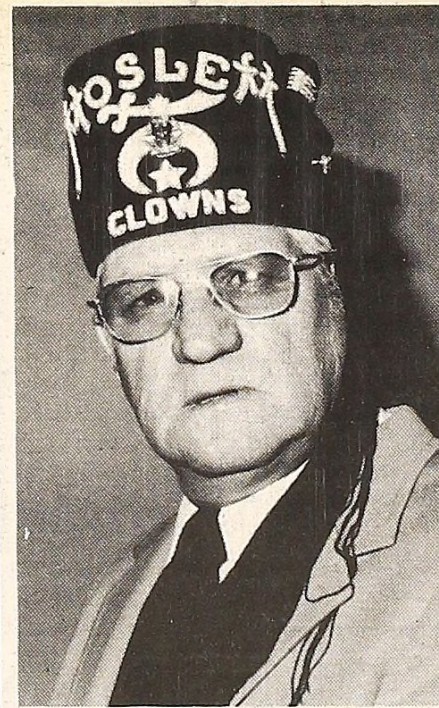
Melvin is survived by his wife, Gladys (Romulus, MI); son Russell C. Wands (Romulus, MI); daughter Mrs. Jeffrey (Susan) Williams (Romulus, MI); brother

Charles Wands (Romulus, MI); stepsister Mrs. Dorothy Polcyn; and five grandchildren. He was predeceased by one brother, Russell Wands.

Funeral services were held on Monday, September 26, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with Pastor Carl Waidelich (Friendship Community Church, Brownstown, MI) officiating.

Interment was at Glen Eden Lutheran Cemetery (Livonia, MI).

George J. Witzgall



George Witzgall

(Detroit), the Moslem Shrine Temple (Detroit), the Moslem Shrine Clown Unit, the Taylor Shrine Club, and the Boulevard Shrine Club.

He is survived by his wife, Dolores; stepsons Clifford and James McCurdy (Romulus, MI); stepgrandson James J. McCurdy (Romulus, MI); and brother Carl Witzgall (Fenton, MI).

Funeral services were held on Saturday, October 1, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with Reverend Dr. William D. Mercer, Chaplain of the Moslem Temple (Detroit), officiating.

Memorial tributes may be made to the Moslem Temple Building Fund (434 Temple, Detroit, MI 48201). □



One of George's greatest joys was clowning for the Shrine Circus.

The Romulus community mourned the passing of one of its long-time residents, George J. Witzgall, on Wednesday, September 28, 1994.

The 75-year-old Detroit native was born on October 19, 1918, and married Dolores A. (Stuckey) Witzgall in Detroit on December 18, 1976.

A Senior Master Sergeant in the Selfridge Air National Guard, George was a charter member of Romulus VFW Post #9568 and also belonged to Myrtle Masonic Lodge #89 of Belleville, the Scottish Rite (Ann Arbor), the York Rite

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